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1. During recent weeks an important reshuffle of railroad personnel has been effected on trains of the Bebra-Gerstungen-Eisenach line. Railroad personnel employed on this line were replaced by FDJ members.
2. The zonal border in the Bebra-Gerstungen area is drawn in such a way that in several places trains must cross the east-west zonal boundary.
3. This geographical peculiarity is to be exploited by western Zone members and friends of the FDJ who plan to attend the Berlin Whitsun rally. Because they are unable to obtain the required travel documents, they will be, so to speak, ferried to the Soviet Zone at this junction.
4. [redacted] railroad car restrictions are already being imposed on all regular trains in order to transfer rolling stock to areas such as Mecklenburg where there is a shortage of equipment. This is in anticipation of the excessive demands that the Whitsun rally will make on transportation facilities. To meet all contingencies, Sonneberg rural county is required to furnish 100 trucks and 50 passenger vehicles.
5. The SED believes that the Western powers in Berlin will refrain from taking any action against FDJ provocations.

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